



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Guarente et al.  
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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated September 5, 2003, be extended for one month to and including January 5, 2004.

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Respectfully submitted,

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